

Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

Action Minutes for November 21 , 2005

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force held its meeting at the Southern California Association of Governments offices in Los Angeles. There was a videoconference at the SCAG Inland Office in Riverside. The meeting was called to order by Chair Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica.

Committee Chair: Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica

Members Present

Bowlen, Paul
Cook, Debbie
Feinstein, Michael
Miller, Mike
Nowatka, Paul
O'Connor, Pam
Pettis, Greg (Phone)
Young, Toni
Perry, Bev

Representing

Cerritos
Huntington Beach
Ex-officio
West Covina
Torrance
Santa Monica
CVAG
Port Hueneme
Brea

Members Absent

Aldinger, Jim
Garcia, LeeAnn
Ovitt, Gary
Garcia, LeeAnn

Representing

Manhattan Beach
Grand Terrace
San Bernardino
Grand Terrace

New Members

None

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Paul Nowatka, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. and Jacob Lieb, SCAG Staff led the group in the flag salute.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None offered.

3.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 The minutes of October 24, 2005 were approved.

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5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Water Chapter

Dan Grisct, SCAG Staff, reported and received feedback on the following themes:

- The creation of environmentally sustainable communities.
- The management of stormwater and urban runoff pollution.
- Interagency collaboration and initiatives within shared watersheds.
- The development of new local water resources and infrastructure.
- The expansion of current water conservation programs.
- The on-going availability of imported supplemental water supplies.
- The beneficial use of water markets and transfers.
- The development of improved water treatment technologies.
- The increased coordination of policy and resources among all levels of government.

Action: The Task Force, without objection, approved a report to the Energy and Environment Committee.

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Finance Section

Annie Nam, SCAG Staff provided an overview on the scope and approach of the proposed Finance Section of the RCP. There are five major tasks:

- Evaluate more extensively our infrastructure system and the associated financial needs.
- Identify current resources and any funding shortfalls.
- Go beyond the currently available funding sources and fully identify a range of funding options.
- Evaluate each of the financing options and hone in on more specific alternatives that are more relevant to the region.
- Implementation of action steps for the financial strategies.

6.2 Open Space and Habitat Chapter

Jessica Kirchner, SCAG Staff, summarized last month's discussion and highlighted what is new in the Chapter. The group provided additional comments for consideration in preparing the Chapter.

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7.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

None

8.0 STAFF REPORT

- Carolina Morgan was introduced as a new employee and will be working on the Solid Waste Chapter.
- Task Force will be dark in December.
- There will be 2 consultants working on the Open Space and Finance Chapters.
- Explore the possibility of having joint meetings with other Task Forces.
- Explore expanding membership of this Task Force.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 Noon. The next Task Force meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2006, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.